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Education & Public Health Department.

NOTE FOR THE INFORMATION MEETING OF THE HONOURABLE MINISTERS.

Subject: Supply of Mahatma Gandhi's portrait to educational institutions.

H.M.(Education) has proposed that Mahatma Gandh's portrait may be kept in every school, elementary, high school or college. In this connection, he has minuted as follows:

"I feel that Mahatma Gandhi's portrait may be kept in every school, elementary, high school or college. An allowance of Rs.5 may be made per portrait. Where local people's enthusiasm could be channelised in this direction, we may leave it open to the heads of schools and colleges to put up as big portraits as they may possibly do.

The allowance for high schools and colleges may be Rs. 10. For Board schools and aided elementary schools, we may give an half grant on this basis. Please calculate the cost of Government on this basis and let me know.

T.S.A/4.2.1948"

The total expenditure on the proposal above will work out to Rs. 84,000 based on the number of institutions in 1945-46. The number of institutions may be higher in the current year and it may therefore be presumed that the cost involved will be nearly a lakh of rupees.

M.V.Subramanian/14.2.1948

H.M. Edn. has minuted again as follows:

"I would like H.Pr. to see this, as H.M.(Fin) is at present not in town. I think in olden days King's photos were asked to be purchased by schools for which grants are given. I think it is time we give a half grant for purhcase of Gandhiji's pictures for all schools. With regard to Govt. schools, of course, we must pay the whole price. The estimated cost is about one lakh of rupees. I think this should be done and that as soon as possible. If H.Pr. agrees, H.M.(Fin) may also see and a note may be prepared for the next meeting of the Standing Finance Committee.

It will be of great value if we can do it at this time immediately after Gandhijiés demise when people's enthusiasm is still great.

T.S.A/14.2.1948"

P Place before the information meeting of Ministers.

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H.M. (Edn) has ordered that this subject may be included in the agenda for the next informal meeting of the Honourable Ministers, namely, on the 26th instant.

The note is accordingly submitted for consideration at the next informal meeting of the Honourable Ministers.

M.V. SUBRAMANIAN
16.12.48
Secretary to Government.

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE FOR THE INFORMATION MEETING OF THE HONOURBLE MINISTERS

Subject: Supply of Mahatma Gandhi's portrait to the Educational

The Director of Public Instruction has since reported that the expenditure on the supply of portraits of Mahatma Gandhi to Educational institutions on the basis of H.Ms minutes will be Rs. 98,400. He has suggested that it would be better if Government undertook to supply the portraits in two sizes by getting them printed in the Government Press. He has also suggested that all important administrative offices of the Education Department may be supplied with a portrait It is also understood that similar proposals for the supply of portraits to Courts, Labour schools. etc.. are under examination in the other Departments also.

The proposals are placed before the informal meeting of the Cabinet for orders whether the suggestion of the Director of Public Instruction may be agreed to and, if so, whether the Superintendent Government Press should be asked to take action accordingly.

M.V. SUBRAMANIAN
16.4.1948
Secretary to Government.

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SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES - Government - Installation of portraits of Mahatma Gandhi - Orders passed.

Education and Public Health Department.
G.O. (Ms) No. 1912.Edn. Dated, the 3rd August 1948

ORDER:

The Director of Public Instruction is requested to inform heads of Government schools and colleges that they may accept portraits of Mahatma Gandhi, if they are presented for installation in the institutions.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

M.V. SUBRAMANIAN
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

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